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$2 million for sports complex

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The completed sporting complex at Parrs Crossroads, Oratia, would cost $2 million, the deputy chairman of the Waitemata County Council, Mr A.R. Hughes, told combined western districts' Jaycee chapters last week.

Mr Hughes said that because of the size of the project, it was necessary that it be developed in stages. The completed project would include a swimming pool complex, a badminton hall, bowling greens and tennis courts.

"But even now there are between 400 and 500 young soccer players using the grounds every Saturday," he said.

The park had been his "pet project" for the past nine years and during this time it had been developed from a derelict farm. This year, his riding would contribute a further $10,000 toward the development, said Mr Hughes.

Next year I am going to ask you to look after a children's playground scheme," he told the Jaycees.